GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER PROJECT ELEPHANT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides financial support and ex-gratia relief to the States under Project Elephant and Wild Animals;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the amount allocated and released by the Government to each State during each of the last three years and current year; and

(c) the details of utilization of funds and work undertaken by each State during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) The Central Government provides financial assistance to various States and Union Territories for payment of ex-gratia relief to the victims of depredation by elephants and other wild animals. The assistance is provided under three Centrally Sponsored Schemes, viz. Project Elephant, Project Tiger and Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries.

(b) and (c) Details about the total funds released under various schemes, funds earmarked for ex-gratia relief and actual utilization of funds by various States / UTs during the last three financial years are given in Annexures-I, II and III. Funds for the current financial year have not yet been released. Major works carried out by the States / UTs include: protection of wild animals, development of their habitats, mitigation of human-wild animal conflict, payment of ex-gratia relief, training of field staff, publicity & awareness, veterinary support, etc.

Annexure- I

FUNDS RELEASED & UTILISED UNDER PROJECT ELEPHANT

(Rs. in lakh)

STATE	TOTAL FUNDS RELEASED			FUNDS FOR EX-GRATIA RELIEF			TOTAL FUNDS UTILISED#		
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Andhra	50.00	55.00	48.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	45.00	47.27	NA
Arunachal Pr.	52.00	61.00	59.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	60.72	61.50	NA
Assam	116.00	134.10	130.00	18.00	23.00	23.00	69.10	130.35	NA
Jharkhand	45.00	93.00	105.96	20.00	20.00	27.20	43.62	92.38	132.53
Karnataka	93.00	149.66	186.22	10.00	20.00	20.00	117.34	157.50	NA
Kerala	111.88	188.28	167.40	10.00	8.00	13.00	118.39	167.11	NA
Meghalaya	41.00	64.00	70.00	10.00	12.00	15.00	45.00	59.64	NA
Mizoram	5.00	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	5.00	NA
Nagaland	49.00	42.00	29.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	35.00	56.00	NA
Orissa	108.39	116.10	137.96	39.50	30.00	45.00	114.05	76.17	150.46
Tamilnadu	71.26	117.00	84.00	10.00	30.00	23.00	57.62	107.30	NA
Tripura	3.00	16.00	17.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	3.00	16.00	NA
Uttaranchal	107.00	129.00	138.90	19.00	12.00	12.00	101.55	109.74	NA
Uttar Pradesh	-	-	12.00	-	-	1.00	-	-	NA
West Bengal	86.47	119.95	148.54	15.00	20.00	28.00	103.98	107.43	NA
Total	939.00	1285.09	1333.98	168.50	191.00	225.20	914.37	1193.39	

: Includes the utilisation of savings from previous years.
NA : Information awaited

Annexure- 2

FUNDS RELEASED & UTILISED UNDER PROJECT TIGER

(Rs. in lakh)

STATE / UT	TOTAL FUNDS RELEASED			FUNDS FOR EX-GRATIA RELIEF			TOTAL FUNDS UTILISED#		
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Andhra Pr.	21.10	22.89	15.00	7.50	4.00	8.00	9.99	22.86	NA
Arunachal Pr.	35.88	68.75	35.00	-	-	0.25	28.77	66.29	21.05
Assam	65.70	75.00	-	0.50	5.00	5.00	29.70	79.95	NA
Bihar	25.00	50.00	85.00	-	-	-	24.98	66.41	NA
Chattisgarh	32.48	80.25	27.75	1.20	-	-	40.91	91.52	NA
Jharkhand	18.00	35.99	72.50	2.00	1.50	-	77.00	33.84	NA
Karnataka	89.56	269.32	486.29	0.50	5.00	-	184.89	292.24	NA
Kerala	63.75	120.68	105.75	-	-	0.50	59.25	80.18	NA
Madhya Pr.	786.44	1103.41	582.43	12.00	2.50	7.50	658.68	579.11	NA
Maharashtra	621.79	228.45	323.01	-	-	-	221.21	187.39	NA
Mizoram	98.32	67.56	119.69	3.00	2.00	-	9.80	70.94	NA
Orissa	32.88	151.91	116.44	0.50	4.00	3.00	99.41	65.50	85.91
Rajasthan	294.92	158.33	75.00	23.50	4.00	-	179.61	236.47	196.00
Tamilnadu	125.00	35.00	80.00	1.50	2.00	-	102.53	63.40	NA
Uttar Pradesh	32.75	173.59	175.22	1.00	-	7.00	30.00	162.74	NA
Uttaranchal	168.00	200.91	200.12	-	5.00	3.00	157.52	188.29	NA
West Bengal	168.33	225.17	325.49	1.00	3.00	3.00	180.12	217.59	NA
Total	2879.90	3067.21	2824.69	54.20	38.00	37.25	2094.37	2504.72	

: Includes the utilisation of savings from previous years.
NA : Information awaited

Annexure- 3

FUNDS RELEASED & UTILISED UNDER DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL PARKS & SANCTUARIES

(Rs. in lakh)

STATE / UT	TOTAL FUNDS RELEASED			FUNDS FOR EX-GRATIA RELIEF			TOTAL FUNDS UTILISED#		
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
A & N Islands	20.75	0.00	69.40	1.00	1.25	0.00	0.00	NA	
Andhra Pr.	82.73	89.31	71.70	0.50	3.25	0.50	83.24	70.54	NA
Arunachal Pr.	105.04	151.05	111.09	2.00	1.80	-	61.01	107.61	NA
Assam	162.14	93.68	213.45	-	-	-	48.25	227.89	NA
Bihar	0.00	24.65	0.00	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	NA
Chandigarh	14.00	0.00	0.00	-	-	-	14.00	0.00	NA
Chattisgarh	92.03	295.94	227.29	1.00	12.95	1.75	91.17	255.98	NA
D & N Haveli	15.25	0.00	20.00	-	-	-	8.69	0.00	NA
Goa	0.00	36.46	37.50	-	-	0.25	0.00	9.68	NA
Gujarat	90.37	52.14	223.93	-	-	-	29.04	222.81	NA
Haryana	18.75	24.84	45.10	-	-	-	29.14	38.49	NA
Himachal Pr.	93.85	168.96	343.52	-	2.00	-	74.67	182.89	NA
Jammu & Kashmir	99.90	138.83	63.20	-	2.91	-	62.10	76.91	NA
Jharkhand	29.89	54.62	77.59	-	-	-	29.89	21.50	NA
Karnataka	599.02	693.96	546.24	-	-	-	225.79	719.64	NA
Kerala	198.98	188.37	238.79	-	-	-	240.60	220.66	NA
Madhya Pr.	196.33	344.36	268.48	0.63	0.43	3.00	195.72	273.58	NA

Maharashtra	168.20	165.25	108.05	-	2.00	1.50	169.52	129.79	NA
Manipur	64.50	57.80	110.59	1.00	-	-	64.50	49.50	NA
Meghalaya	40.25	93.07	84.82	-	-	0.50	57.64	96.25	NA
Mizoram	235.60	231.84	315.04	5.60	1.00	8.60	201.42	214.89	NA
Nagaland	107.84	42.70	32.32	0.50	-	-	76.00	39.63	NA
Orissa	82.57	187.25	370.27	2.15	2.70	7.50	92.26	115.91	NA
Punjab	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	NA
Rajasthan	366.27	214.82	246.62	0.25	4.45	1.57	208.76	328.46	NA
Sikkim	132.76	108.92	74.40	0.50	-	-	119.16	102.30	NA
Tamilnadu	136.11	139.76	158.75	3.00	2.00	2.00	118.41	143.93	NA
Tripura	101.88	245.27	49.13	2.00	1.00	0.20	71.28	54.09	NA
Uttar Pradesh	137.36	164.37	287.53	0.20	0.20	0.25	118.28	177.12	NA
Uttaranchal	77.99	96.39	68.20	12.89	10.55	4.50	61.21	63.34	NA
West Bengal	223.67	214.17	317.24	4.00	4.00		235.29	231.82	NA
Total	3694.03	4318.78	4780.24	37.22	51.24	33.37	2787.04	4175.21	

: Includes the utilisation of savings from previous years.
NA : Information awaited